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WWPV to Hold Carnival

The management and staff of WWPV are currently undergoing a facelift that will help them to be more professional. P.V. has untapped potential and everyone involved with the station is endeavoring to change their ideas and attitudes toward radio work. Announcers are putting more work into the shows. Even the focal point of the station has been broadened.

"The primary objective of P.V.," states executive director Edward Boland, "is to serve the entire community."

Statistically, as a station becomes more community-oriented, a larger group of people will start tuning in. The larger the audience that P.V. attracts, the better the ratings will be for the station. In their effort to present a more professional outlook and provide higher quality programming, P.V. announcers are required to prepare their materials before air time.

WWPV's news service has become one hundred per cent more effective since the addition of the Associated Press wire. The station receives news notices at the same time they reach every other major station in the country. WWPV is a productive and valuable media serving St. Michael's community; however, it possesses the potential to expand and improve.

Quality programming entails hard work. At this time only a handful of students sacrifice their time to make P.V.'s goals a reality. Due to their numbers alone, these people can only do so much. Input is needed from **everyone**.

Mr. Boland is asking for anyone with ideas for improvments to bring them up to the station. He feels there are many talented people on this campus with original thoughts on how to create a successful program. Whether the person is a jazz fanatic or just into a certain performer, he should stop by Sloane and talk about it. P.V. will gladly let you tape a show for future airing. In fact, music isn't the only area in which a person can submit suggestions. A short story, poetry, or a skit are all ideas you might want to present on the air.

Boland also stated, "If there's a particular gripe you have that would be of concern to the community, don't just keep it to yourself, try doing a guest editorial."

He emphasized that there is plenty of room for new ideas at P.V. They have had to discontinue airing a campus favorite. "Because of a lack of sponsorship, the National Lampoon programs will no longer be available to the station." His suggestion was that possibly it could be replaced with a "Lampoon" series of our own. "The opportunities open to the students are limitless," Boland stated. WWPV is a perfect outlet for original ideas.

The P.V. Carnival

If the idea of radio work doesn't appeal to you, the one thing everyone can do is support the station financially. Starting February 24 and continuing all that week WWPV is sponsoring activities that will interest every student. Nearly all of the events are new to St. Michael's campus and should be a great success.

Starting on February 24 and lasting throughout the week there will be a telethon with announcers asking for pledges once every hour. Listeners who contribute will be given numbered "stock certificates." Benefits of being a "stockholder" are "dividends" or prizes awarded to holders whose number is drawn plus eligibility to participate in the programming of the station.

Feb. 24 — That same day a pie-throwing contest will be held. This is a perfect opportunity for anyone wishing to let out their frustrations to do so. Students get to throw the pies at such administrative favorites as Sister Jeanette, Jerry Flanagan, and Don Sutton, to mention a few.

Feb. 25 — A pool and air hockey tournament will be held in the Klein Student Center. There will be a 50¢ entry fee and the prize is half the entry total.

Feb. 26 — a foul shooting contest is scheduled for the half-time of the varsity game vs. Middlebury. This will consist of a best of three from the line playoff. Entry fee is 50¢ and the winner receives half the entry fee intake. Age groups will be 1-12 and 13-up.

Feb. 27 — An ice cream party in the Snack Bar between 8 and 10 p.m. is planned. Participants pay $1.00 for all the "make your own" sundaes they want.

Feb. 28 — Today will be the beginning of a marathon broadcast by John Spoor. Listeners will pledge an amount of money per hour for as long as D.J. Spoor makes it.

Mar. 1 — Two events are

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Sutton Addresses Legislature on Rathskeller Bill

•Dean Sutton working on ski slope — by Sal Zieno

H-132 is the title of the bill which regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages on college campuses in Vermont. This bill, which will come on to the floor of the legislature before the end of February, will determine the feasibility of a proposed Rathskeller in Klein Student Center.

Dean of Students, Donald Sutton, predicts that H-132 has a 50/50 chance of being passed during this session. The Bill emerged from the Committee victoriously with a 6-5 tally. Sutton spoke to the committee at this time, in favor of the bill.

"We've made an effort, and we'll continue to make an effort to get this bill passed," commented Sutton.

The bill is extremely complicated, and has in fact been amended four times since the original proposal. For example, a tax on the building, and on the beverages would be levied, and St. Michael's would be obligated to cover a million-dollar liability insurance policy.

Obviously a fair price would have to be established on the beverages in the interests not only of both the students and the competitors. Sutton stated that, "It would be our hope that any profit derived from the rathskeller would be put into a scholarship fund.

Dean Sutton expressed a fervent desire for the rathskeller to become a reality on St. Michael's campus.

"We feel that it would be to the advantage of the students to have a place to go to have a beer or whatever."

One of the advantages that Sutton discussed was the number of problems that arise when students leave the campus to drink will decrease. Hopefully, the rathskeller would also curb the number of people who drink and drive, thereby decreasing the number of hazardous incidents which subsequently occur. "This is a very grave concern that I have. We have an average of 1 (DWI) a week", noted Sutton.

Sutton expressed the advantages of drinking on the campus. Students would "learn how to drink" with a sense of dignity. In addition, the price of gasoline may have an impact on the students' desire not to travel to local places.

"I feel very strongly that the rathskeller would keep some people on campus," said Sutton. He feels that the pub would aid the students in controlling their habits. The rathskeller would also encourage inter-student communications.

The opposition to the bill expressed the speculation that the rathskeller would be a threat to the academics of the students. Sutton refuted, "I don't think it would effect the academics. I think it would enhance it because people would sit down and discuss. I don't think we talk enough." In addition, he feels that a rathskeller on campus would not be a threat to the local place. He feels that everyone has their favorite place to go, anyway.

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Applications Down From Last Year

Ms. Virginia Hague, Director of Admissions — by Sal Zieno

In an interview on Monday, Feb. 17 with the Director of Admissions, Virginia Hague, a number of points concerning next year's admissions were discussed. First of all, applications for next year's freshman class are down. Hague suggested that students aren't applying to as many schools as in the past, the reason behind this being lack of funds, as applications to schools can be rather expensive. However, she expects to fulfill the attendance goal of 400 freshmen. The strong point in the admissions program this year is the number of monetary confirmations received from acceptances. The $100 confirmation, if consistent with current economic trends, is a good sign for the admissions program.

Ms. Hague is pleased with all the confirmations and stated that one-third are from women. Applications and acceptances of men and women are the same as last year, not quite half being women. The point score quotients are holding up as well as they did last year and there are the same amount of acceptances now as at this time last year. The regions which are home to the applicants continues to be dominated by Mass., Conn., and N.J.

Ms. Hague said that in the 5 years she has been here, everything has been different as far as admissions are concerned. Normally 3% to 5% of confirmations would never show up, but in the last three years all the confirmations have shown up. When asked if she would like to have anything special stated, Virginia Hague said, "From talking with students who come to visit, a good many come as the result of talking with other students. Students are our best recruiters. I feel the student tours are a big help and plan an important part in the admissions program."

by K. Casey

Stetson Rallies Support For MS Dance Marathon

"Dance for those who can't" is the theme behind a 40-hour dance marathon to be held April 11 through 13. The marathon will benefit the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and is being sponsored by the Northern Vermont Chapter.

Senior Paul Stetson, Vermont Youth Coordinator, along with executive director, Ms. Chris Du Four, held an organizational meeting for the event on Feb. 17th in Alliot Hall Lounge. UVM and some area high schools were represented at the meeting.

The marathon is being carried by WJOY radio and will be broadcast live for the entire 40 hours. The radio publicity is gaining the attention of many rock groups who will provide some of the music. Approximately fifteen bands are expected to perform. Area businesses are being asked to donate prizes, including motorcycles, stereos and much more. The grand prize is an all expenses paid trip to California to compete in the National M.S. dance marathon, and a scholarship for both partners.

Although anyone can enter the contest, there are certain rules. All couples must be of the opposite sex and once the marathon begins no change of partners is allowed. To win, you must stay dancing to the end. There will be a half-hour break every 2 hours. The contestants will be fed and a medical team will be on hand for safety. Finalists will be receiving prizes donated by local merchants.

If you enjoy dancing and want to help fight Multiple Sclerosis, start exercising those muscles. The competition should be tough!

by R.C. Nolan

Vermont News Front

The Bottle Law to Undergo Change

H-93 has been introduced by Representative Stub Earle (R-Eden) and Representative Charles Stone (D-E. Montpelier), to amend the present bottle law. It is assigned to the House Natural Resources Committee, whose chairman is Henry Carse of Hinesburg.

The bill provides a simple and strong solution to the controversy surrounding Vermont's bottle law. It would ban the sale of beer and soda in flip-top cans after September 1, 1975. It would also ban the use of throwaway containers for beer and soda after July 4, 1976.

The bill is important because it deals with the basic problem of the present law which is that most major beer companies continue to sell their beer in throwaway bottles and cans. Many Vermonters do not realize that the bottles and cans that they take back to the store are then simply shipped off to the dump. The grocers are understandably angry because they know that they are handling junk. H-93 would solve this problem by mandating refillables.

Also the bill would substantially improve the handling and sorting problems of the small grocer in Vermont. By eliminating cans and banning throwaway bottles, the bill would reduce the incredible variety of containers that grocers have to contend with.

Lobbyists for the brewers, beer distributors, can companies, and grocers will wage a strong fight against H-93. The strategy will be delay and confusion. In addition, bottle law foes will introduce "recycling" proposals that would repeal the bottle law.

Bottle law opponents will blame the law for last year's drop in beer sales with a resulting drop in tax revenues in the state. In fact, however, tax records show that the drop in sales corresponds exactly with the disastrous tourist season experienced in fiscal 1974. Malt beverage tax revenues for recent months have returned to near normal levels.

Americans cannot continue to waste as if there were no end to our resources. Presently Vermonters alone throw away over 90 million soda and beer containers each year. Each year the pop-top ring accounts for 30 million pounds of garbage in America. This does not even include the tons wasted from the cans themselves.

H-93, if passed, will end much of the needless waste in Vermont and hopefully help set the stage for nationwide acceptance of reusable containers. Supporters of the bill are urged to write to their local representatives and to members of the House Natural Resources Committee. For more information, contact VPIRG, 26 State Street, Montpelier, Vt. 05602.

Peter Franchot
VPIRG Staff

House System Has Problems

by Jean C. Graveline

Apathy still prevails at Saint Michael's College, especially in the campus houses. Psi House, first and second floor Joyce Hall, typifies the problem. President John Daly is discouraged with the situation. Apparently the only function that receives wide-spread attention is intramural sports. Plans for other events seldom stimulate interest, and are usually abandoned.

Students who fail to pay house dues are technically not members. And since many students don't pay, the house can provide no activities. This is a common plague to colleges all over the country. Although apathy ranks the highest, it is not the only reason. Some students feel that many events organized by campus houses are ineffective. Bored with perennial functions, they want something original. Personality conflicts among members and the omnipresence of "cliques" prevent house unification. Lack of money is also a problem when students are expected to shell out anywhere from two to fifteen dollars for dues.

House presidents facing this problem should seek the reasons from their members and try to arrange a compromise. Students who are accustomed to merely complaining about the situation would do well to attend the meetings and voice their opinions. As for all you apathetic individuals, you're just hindering progress.

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Senior Class Commencement

Committee Meeting Minutes

by Sal Zieno

The third weekly meeting of the Commencement Committee was called to order at 4:37 p.m. February 12, 1975, by Chairperson Louis Botta. Present were members of the Commencement Committee, all other Committee Chairpersons, Assistant Dean of Students Jerry Flanagan and Alumni Director Rit DiVenere.

Committee Reports began with the Awards Committee. Mr. Flanagan stated that Mr. Illuzzi was in Barre. Mr. Thompson said that Mr. Illuzzi had planned a meeting for the next day.

Tony Denorfia reported for the Senior Week Committee. Questionnaires on activities are being sent to all Seniors and activities planned are being looked into.

Ollie Riley, Chairperson of the Banquet Committee, reported on his recent meeting with Alumni Director Rit Divenere concerning the Banquet. Entertainment is being planned. Selection of the Banquet Speaker has not yet been made.

Don Baman reported on the Finance Committee:

Fund-Raising Ideas: 1) Keg party — tentative (March 7, coinciding with winter weekend). John Spoor is seeing if we can hold the party in conjunction with the student activities committee. Looking for ideas and theme.

2) Bottle Drive — Suggestions have been to hold our drive either within the next few weeks, or a week before finals. The problem with the latter is that we need the money early so that we can figure out the finances.

3) Raffle — Bermuda trip cancelled. The only program was the $249 + 10% tax. We would have to sell 540 tickets to break even. ROTC only sold 260 tickets two weeks ago at 50¢ per ticket. B) Ski trip; C) Montreal Trip; D) Dinner for two; E) Bicycle & gift certificates. Paul Andres is looking into and researching any ideas on trips. F) Gift from business community that could be raffled off; G) Cases of beer — against college discipline at this time.

4) Senior Class Cocktail Party — senior class only. Old gym, cafeteria, lounges. I will meet with Mr. Valway soon . . . (details).

Treasury: Money on hand — $338.64 minus 24.00 Saga, leaving a total of $314.64 on hand.

Don reported also on the poor attendance at the basketball games which give a poor sale in our refreshment concession.

Mike Donovan suggested that the senior class could investigate the possibility of having a refreshment stand in Herrouet Theater during "Godspell" performances. The Finance Committee will research.

Mr. Flanagan stated that last year seniors had requested a $3.00 charge from the trustees to be levied on all seniors to use for senior activities.

Ms. Keelty stated that the $3.00 charge had also appeared on her bill this year.

Members rejoiced.

Mike Donovan reported that the Gift Committee will meet to plan and choose the Class Gift. So far some proposals have been: a. a bell for the Dupont belltower; b. seats for the Fine Arts Center (so far the Auditorium does not have seats); c. Prints to establish a Library Art Loan System; d. pictures for the Fine Arts Center.

Mr. Flanagan stated that the wearing of baccalaureate hoods were o.k. It would cost approximately $3.00 more per seniors, adding to the cost of Commencement.

Mr. Botta stated that it would nevertheless add to the dignity of the occasion and be a memorable experience.

Mr. Flanagan also reported on his conversation with Dr. Gallagher, Academic Dean, on the subject of receiving sheepskins instead of the regular diplomas. Sheepskins would be alright, but they are too fragile and of lower quality.

Chris Huley reported on the Valedictorian Speech, saying that the Class Valedictorian does make a speech, but last year he declined and gave the Senior Class President the right to do so. The Valedictorian is also not known until the end of the second semester.

George Noonan reported on the Baccalaureate Mass, saying that Sr. Jeanette and Fr. Ranges were not planning it yet. Student input is needed.

Chris Huley remarked that the Mass was too traditional last year.

Louis Botta inquired about invitation cards to commencement ceremonies. Mr. Flanagan replied that every senior has cards sent to his parents. If he wished to buy more, they would be available at the Bookstore.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45.

Next meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Snack Bar.

Louis H. Botta
Commencement Committee
Chairperson

Dribbling Marathon Starts Friday

Following are the rules and regulations for the second annual basketball dribbling marathon, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, St. Mike's College:

1. The marathon will take place on February 21 to the 23.

2. The marathon will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the above date.

3. Entry fees will be: 1 participant from a house and/or organization: $5.00 each; 2 participants from a house or organization, $4.00 each; 3 or more participants from a house or organization, $3.00 each.

4. Prizes will be: first prize, $100.00; Second prize, $50.00; and third prize, $25.00.

5. The general chairman for the marathon will be John Spoor.

6. There will be a 5-minute break each and every hour.

7. Participants may only take the opportunity of using the rest room facilities during the break.

8. There will be a judge present for every five participants on the floor at any one time.

9. A roster will be present for viewing. The roster will include the judges present at the time, and the participants — along with the hour in which they drop out.

10. A trophy will be presented to the winners during halftime of the SMC basketball game on February 26, along with the prize money.

11. Any food, etc., that passes between the participant and any observer must be thoroughly inspected by a judge.

12. No speed is allowed to be taken by any participant. If a participant violates this rule, he or she will be automatically dismissed from the competition.

13. A participant is allowed 3 misdribbles. Any misdribble will be verified by a judge.

14. Food will be provided at interim points (breakfast, lunch, dinner) by the sponsor of the marathon (The Knights of Columbus). This food will come from either Saga or any outside contribution.

15. A participant must hit the basketball each and every time that the ball comes off the floor.

16. A participant may provide his own basketball. Those unable to do so will be provided one by the sponsoring group. The basketball must be an official basketball.

17. WWPV-FM will have the right to be on location.

18. Every participant must dribble within the designated area; no observer may come into that area except the judges, and members of the SMC Rescue Squad.

19. The marathon will take place in Alliot Lobby, St. Mike's College.

20. Participants must be present at 6:45 p.m., on Feb. 21 in order to hear the reading of the rules. Any participant not present will be automatically disqualified.

21. If a participant cannot start, he or she cannot obtain a refund — although a proxy can be substituted.

22. This marathon is an individual performance of endurance. Prizes will be given to the top three participants who dribble the longest.

23. Every participant may only stand or squat while dribbling. No leaning will be allowed.

24. In the situation that there is a tie at the commencement of the marathon, prizes will be awarded as such: 2 participants left standing: $85.00 each, 3 participants left standing: $75.00 each, 4 left standing; $60.00 each, 5 left standing; $50.00 each.

25. An extended emergency break can be called at any time at the discretion of the general chairman.

26. If the situation arises, any of the aforementioned rules may be changed or amended by a simple majority vote of the judges present at the time.

27. Only students enrolled in a college and/or university can participate in the marathon.

28. There must be a minimum of 10 participants at the start of the marathon, or it will not be held.

29. The marathon will stop upon the suggestion of the SMC Rescue Squad and a simple majority vote of the judges present at the time.

Other necessary information:

1. Tickets can be purchased in Alliot Lobby before dinner and during dinner on February 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

2. Any further information concerning the rules and regulations of the marathon can be obtained by calling 655-2000, Ext. 297, and asking for John Spoor.

3. The colleges and universities that have been contacted concerning the dribbling marathon are: St. Michael's College, University of Vermont, Trinity College and Champlain College.

4. When you register, please state if you will be using your own basketball, and what house and/or organization is sponsoring you.

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THE ETHAN ALLEN JOURNAL

Thank heavens for holidays.

The stock market, now surging upward at a horrible and torrid pace, breathed in a bit of the February air last Monday, then recounted how fast they'd moved in a mere 20 trading days. But the air has been cool, and neither their blood nor their thinking has been thinned in the Wall Street winter in New York. Or possibly it has. Spring fever in the New York Stock Exchange?

Some people might think so. Some analysts of the stock market (those fellows who write for Valueline, or run computerized portfolio agencies, or figure proper diversifications by combining P/E ratios, beta factors, and standard deviations in cyclical means) have become worried that the market has gone too far, too soon, and rightfully so, they probably should be. Because, honestly, 1) analysts hate to be wrong, and 2) a quick rush of bullish buying comes ahead of their predictions, as well as ahead of their own entering into the market. Myself, not wanting to hurt or sway anyone from thinking bullish, and also not wanting anyone to think me a bear, I will, however, pass to you an old adage: "Too old, too soon; too late, too smart." It may fit, time and Dow Jones will tell.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average has climbed nearly 100 points since mid-January (an increase of almost 14%), and at the end of last week, on February 14th, hit a new six-month high of 734.20. Predictions have been all but dropped, abandoned for greater prospects of crossing the 800 mark by mid-summer, and closing the year, still moving upward, near an average of 850. Thinking bullish?

Maybe now is the time to buy. Should you become fully invested at this point? How far should you drive into the market? And what about a turnaround? I think the time to buy was back in early December, yet I also believe the time to buy is now, and at least through the whole of 1975.

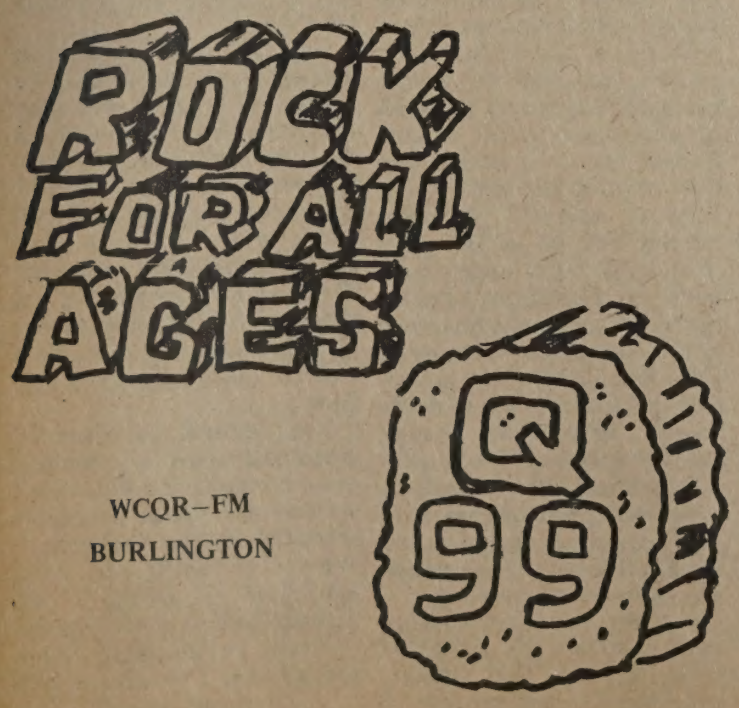
We are in a depressed market: not merely stock, but the general economic buyer market as well. Franco Modigliani of MIT (all of you Corporate Finance students, listen up) has spoken of "the erosion of wealth caused by the stock market fall" and has some figures developed in his hypothesis. He estimates that as stock values drop $10 billion, the consumer is shutting off at the pace of $600 million. This idea, in consideration with a $250 billion decline in stock values during 1974 alone, proves consumer cutbacks of up to $15 billion. The real shock, for those who feel the market is on its feet and the decline is through, is that (Mr. Modigliani states) the bulk of the impact will occur during the six months following such decline. The trough of our current recession is not expected until the third quarter of 1975, the second quarter at the earliest. Count a half a year from there, then start budgeting your spending anew.

My feelings are these: we are in a stock market where the prices are great buys, not just for the big boys, but for the little round-lotter too. However, it is the institutions who are gobbling. Volume has been very high in 1975, presently about 200 million shares ahead of the 1974 pace. But as profits are still high, so is inflation: hence, when the corporations present their 1975 first-quarter earnings, the figures are assured of being drastically deflated. I think the buying will simmer and slow by the time the last earnings report is printed in the Wall Street Journal, maybe collecting its cool with some profit taking, a little light trading as the winter turns to spring in March, and a bit of a retrenchment before the circulation of the mind on The Exchange thins into possible recklessness.

Errant predictions I will not make, being inexperienced and unschooled in the jungle of "the floor". But trying my best to be among learned investment makers and economists across our country, I will state an idea. Along with the other magazines that say "Edwin Friend of the Wharton School thinks this," or "James Tobin of Yale University sees it this way," I would just once appreciate seeing, "John Walkley of the Ethan Allen Journal had this to say of the present stock market." So here it is: just look ahead in the next few months for a slowdown. People have less money to spend and they are holding onto it. The corporations are lacking for reinvestment and their balance sheets and earnings statements are showing it. The buying has got to cease, slow or level somewhere. I believe the present level would be nice for a while. I see it as far up as 750-760, but I picture the fluctuation to hold there until at least mid-summer. Inflation is still very high, unemployment is still creeping higher (summer an even bigger problem to that increasing rate) and consumer spending a bit hedging to hesitant.

I'm bullish on the market and the economy, but each at its proper time: "Too old too soon, too late too smart."

—JTW



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Quotable quote:
"I don't know what apathy is, and furthermore I don't give a damn."
—Anonymous

WWPV Carnival

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scheduled. During the day there will be a snow sculpture contest. Contestants must sign up during the week in Sister Jeanette's office. Deadline for entry is noon Saturday. Any person or group may enter for $5.00. Sculptures will be judged on originality, size and theme. They must be visible from one of the dorms on the North or Main Campus. The prize is a half-keg.

During the evening there will be a "Fifties Blast" in the Klein Basement between 8 p.m. and midnight. This may be broadcast live over WWPV. Admission is $2.00 and greaser dress is mandatory. The Fraternal Order of Male Chauvinists will host this event and jungle juice is on the menu.

Mar. 2 — The week's activities will conclude with an auction to be held in Sloane Art Center. Anyone interested in selling something should contact the station.

All prices are subject to change. The monetary goal expressed by Ed Boland is $4,000. Ed stated that WWPV is not in danger of shutting down. As of February, the station has $200 in the budget plus another $300 from a recent sale. Boland believes that this is enough to last until June. The money raised during the drive will be used for the upkeep of the station plus the possibility of acquiring a new transmitter.

Boland said WWPV needs the students' support and that they will continue to have the pleasure of listening to the campus radio station.

Michael J. Donahue
R.C. Nolan

Omicron & Psi Allegedly Misuse Funds

by Maura McCallion

John Spoor, Social Committee Chairman

by Sal Zieno

The third meeting of the Social Committee this semester was held Tuesday, February 18. It was brought to the attention of the members that $50 which the Social Committee had allocated toward janitorial services following the Christmas semi-formal was instead used to find a band. John Hahn, a committee member, said, "This is a gross misuse of funds." Subsequently a motion was passed to send a letter to both Xi and Omicron Houses, sponsors of the semi-formal, requesting the return of the $50.

$3500 of the remaining $6959 left in the Social Committee budget was allocated toward Parents' Weekend. $50 was also allocated toward a wine and cheese party sponsored by Nu House to be held March 2 in Alumni basement. The motions for both allocations met with heated controversy, but were passed nevertheless.

Friday, February 21, there will be a basketball dribbling Marathon, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The following day, Crown and Sword will host a keg party in the Klein basement from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Admission is $1.00. A pie-throw auction, Monday, February 24, will kick off WWPV Carnival Week. The auction will be held at 6:30 p.m. in Alliot Hall and some potential whip cream victims are Dean Sutton, Sr. Jeanette, John Spoor, John Walkley, and Kenny Johnson. That Tuesday there will be a pool and air hockey tournament in Klein. During halftime of the SMC vs. Middlebury game, Wednesday, February 26, a foul-shooting contest will be held. Thursday there will be an ice cream social in the Snack Bar from 8-10 p.m. Admission is $1 for all the ice cream sundaes you can eat. A snow sculpture contest will be held Saturday, March 1. Later that night WWPV will sponsor a "Fifties Blast" from 8 - 12 in Klein basement. The main refreshment will be "whoopee juice".

Crown and Sword Notes

New C&S Members to Be Chosen Sunday

It's been a long time since this brief column has appeared in the hallowed pages of **The Michaelman**, a period where some may have lost track of what was going on in the Crown and Sword Honorary Society, or still worse, lost interest. A refresher of activities of the last semester, and an update of the present semester is definitely in order.

Under the direction of a new slate of officers, the Crown swooped down upon the less temperate of Michaelfolk for a traditional refreshment party the first weekend in September. Thanks are due to all of you who brought us this success. The Big Brother program still in the beginning weeks of action proved to have a flaw (or flaws), but the freshmen and C&S members soon settled into friendships and growing ties. Weeks on weeks took the Crown and Sword toward interaction with OVP, the Student Coalition, and the Alumni Director's office. A swimming program started on Saturday mornings with the children from St. Joseph's Child Center; further assistance was offered to the annual Halloween and Christmas parties; and the C&S sponsored a free keg party along with Mr. Rit Divenere following the football game on Homecoming Weekend. The church ushers primed for the commencement of the 1974-75 basketball season, in the meantime, keeping their legs in shape touring the campus with prospective students. The walking-practice culminated on December 8th with a bottle drive for the benefit of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. The C&S-sponsored event netted $36-5.00 for the association, making St. Michael's College one of the leading contributors for the year (and receiving national recognition).

The gray-blazers have busied themselves with other functions of their own as well as functions in joint participation with other organizations (e.g., the Peter Isaacson coffeehouse, co-sponsored by Trinity College's Triple Key Society). The Crown has displayed self-sacrifice in action over the past semester, aiding the Student Association and its Social Committee on numerous occasions: and neither the work nor the volition has ever ceased.

With the induction of new members concluding this weekend, the Crown and Sword steps into another year of activity. Jim Colongeli and John Walkley's names have been replaced in a general election last week; John Cahill and Tom Picone are the new Vice-President and President, respectively. A new era of Crown and Sword is about to begin. Tonight (provided tonight is Saturday, February 22nd) there will be a party following the Central Connecticut State basketball game: proceeds going to the Crown and Sword Society Scholarship Fund. The price is small, and the purpose meaningful.

I'd like to thank the whole Society for the help they have given to me, now speaking as the former coordinator of the honorary organization. Thank you Gus, Kell, Cathy, Linda, Rookie, Trisha, Anne, Denise, Ollie, Tim, Maryanne, Kate, and John. Thank you Mary, Frenchie, Nutz, Keith, Michael Q., Bert, Greg, Joey, Tom, Brian, Stuart, Clyde, and Joanne. Thank you Code, Pick Rosey, Paul, Vince and Stets, Spoorsy, Tony, Chezz, Mike, Abbott, J.T., and Ghetto. And my especial thanks to you, James, it's been a great and hectic year. When do we go out to dinner?

With the new inductees becoming finalized tomorrow, I sign-off as the expectant grandfather. Pick begins now with new blood in the system, new wood on the fire. Good luck my friends and friends. Next week I will be a bit less sentimental, a bit more amusing and subjective. See you tonight.

by B.B.

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Editorial

Empty Files Open To Inspection

The "Buckley Amendment" that went into effect last fall gave parents and adult students the right to examine their school records and to challenge its content. Another important feature of the *Family Educational Rights* and *Privacy Act* is that schools are restricted from passing on information to outside sources without the consent of the student involved.

On January 24th, one student (who wishes to remain anonymous) asked to see his file. He had waited the necessary forty-five days permitted under the law. The staff worker at the Registrar's told him that there was *nothing* in his file. To clarify that statement, the staff member remarked that no data had been added since January 1st, 1975 when the amendment to the Bill became law. She also stated that all information, which had been in the file prior to January 1 was unavailable for student perusal.

The Michaelman has done considerable research into *The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act*. The law asserts that all records (including IQ scores, transcripts, campus police reports, NEDT, SAT scores, etc.) must be open to student inspection. The only materials exempted by this law are Letters of Recommendation which were written before the Bill became law. Actually it is illegal for the Registrar's Office to hand a student an empty envelope when a myriad of information does exist in the file.

A random survey conducted by **The Michaelman** revealed that few students have availed themselves of the opportunity to see their files. Visits to the Registrar's Office, which were made by a handful of people, have reportedly yielded no results. The possibility of litigation has arisen, hopefully the problem will be solved prior to this action.

—SES

Letters to the editor

Dear Madame Editor,

I'd like to tell you how disappointed I am in the students for their attendance at a recent basketball game vs. Springfield. I wasn't surprised to see our hardcore fans (Gus, Stapes, Kegs, Foxy, Raffile, Pescatelli, etc.) there, but rather surprised and more disappointed in the total attendance, 750. The fans here at St. Michael's are fair weather fans. This year both football and basketball teams supported .500 records but this does not mean that you cannot come out and cheer. I can understand the attendance at a football game because of $1.00 admission, but to refuse a free basketball game?!! This is unheard of. I've talked to our nardcore fans and they have given reasons why the attendance is down, or when there is a large crowd, there is a lack of noise. These reasons are as follows:

1. The crazy fans have left us — Epsilon and Delta.
2. Some students aren't aware of when a game is being played.
3. There are more women freshmen — I'm not down on women fans, but they aren't as knowledgeable as the males, therefore have no reason to go crazy over a basketball game.
4. The male freshmen aren't into it at all. I've seen Joe Pescatelli on his knees trying to cheer, but it's impossible.

I don't think anyone realizes how much the fans mean to a team (Ex-Knicks) Our fans used to be the best 6th man in New England, but right now they are not on the team at all. I would like to see more than 750 fans at our last 2 games. I finish with one final thought — How many fans would we have at our last 2 games if we were 16-5?

Thank you,

Name Withheld

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Madame Editor:

Well, it's all over! Klein Student Center is now open and functioning for the SMC students. Thus, I would like to take this opportunity to express my feelings.

In the beginning, people believed that such a project could not be undertaken by the student body. But a few students had an idea that such a dream could become a reality. Meeting these people very early in the planning stages of Klein, I offered my assistance in organizing the construction of this building with my belief and confidence in the caliber of the SMC student.

Now that the dream has come true, all I can do is thank from the deepest part of my heart those few students (and I mean "few") who gave me their knowledge, guts, and belief in such a dream. They are the students, who, when I became discouraged and felt like giving up, convinced me to stay. To these students, and they know who they are without my naming them, again, THANK YOU.

To the rest of the student body, all I can say is that you have displayed that all-powerful SMC APATHY. When the time came to volunteer, you were all eager to write your name, but when it came time to work, the excuse was that you were too busy. I personally can't visualize how you students couldn't have found one or two days free between October and February. Sure you came over to visit Klein occassionally, noticed a few students working, patted them on the back complimenting them on a "nice job", and walked out — never to be seen again.

In conclusion, all I can say is maybe you didn't build the Klein Student Center, but please respect it. There is no reason to abuse Klein by stealing something provided free, or putting that cigarette out on the floor. Thus as a final note — I hope everyone enjoys it very much.

Sincerely,
Charles R. Veronneau

7 Lincoln Street
Essex Junction, Vt.
Feb. 4, 1975

Dear Madame Editor:

Mr. Sullivan feels, after the Britton concert and the Three Penny Circus, that "it isn't worthwhile putting on anything in this College unless it involves beer." I don't entirely agree, and I'd like to take the opportunity to point out to students who are unaware of it, that there is a poetry series, now in its fifth year at St. Michael's, which has been very successful, is free, and involves no beer — at least no noticeable beer.

Beginning in 1969 the English Department, then under Dr. Henault, instituted the series in order to bring to the campus the best living writers of fiction and poetry. The first reader was X.J. Kennedy, who played to a crowd of 200. Since then we have had Robert Pack, Stanley Kunitz, Richard Eberhart, R.V. Cassill, John Williams, Galway Kinnell, David Huddle, Alan Broughton, John Anderson, Ned O'Gorman, Rosellen Brown, Stephen Sandy, and Mark Strand. In 1973, the Department inaugurated the Sun Poetry Series, which has featured Burt Porter, Tom Azarian, Craig Morton, Utah Phillips and David O'Doherty. The smallest crowd we have ever had was 30; the largest (for Galway Kinnell) was 250.

I require attendance by the students in my writing workshops, and in my English 211 or 103 courses. The readings are designed as part of these courses; but that is the only required attendance. I am especially pleased at the involvement of the community and other Vermont colleges. St. Michael's has shared expenses with UVM on two occasions; and regular contingents attend each reading from Johnson, Norwich, UVM, Middlebury, and Bennington.

Some of the readings have been vastly entertaining, and some not so. The **Michaelman** has seldom noticed them ahead of time, and only once reviewed a reading. I would suggest that the students at St. Michael's who would enjoy an unusual evening keep their eyes open for the posters announcing the events, and give them a try.

John Engels

Dear Madame Editor,

I would conjecture that the statistics on grading for the fall semester which were included in the February eight issue of the **Michaelman** were there for some reason than to fill the space. But your exact motives are unclear to me.

The practice of presenting unexplained statistics leaves much to the imagination of the reader. A 25-year study was once done showing that 25 male Harvard graduates had on the average of 2.1 children and 25 female graduates had on the average of 1.7 children. Does this mean men have more children than women?

My example is simplistic, but the problem is not. One might suppose that these statistics indicate the "standards" or "thoughness" of the various departments. But I would question this conclusion on the grounds that it may well have no validity. Keep in mind that this all too arbitrary and subjective system of grading which we have imposed upon ourselves tell us little about what actually goes on in any classroom.

What sort of equation can we draw between an A in a Fine Arts course? Why should we even attempt to make this equation? Though I realize that you are not responsible for the existence of these figures, I would criticize the fact that they even exist, let alone were published in the **Michaelman.**

Grades, high or low, are a very poor indicator of the quality of education received in a classroom. I fear the existence of these figures will do nothing more than to promote some sort of numerical jousting between departments and even worse encourage students to seek out "gut" courses, which often lowers the quality of the educational experience for the more serious students within those courses.

Please, let's get our minds off the almighty grade and turn to seeking that elusive entity known as education.

D.A. King

Feb. 17, 1975

Dear Madame Editor:

I was more than a little surprised to read your editorial of February 14th addressed to my comments regarding the complexity of student evaluations of faculty teaching performance. Frankly, I was not surprised at your disbelief of the standard textbook statements that I made stressing how difficult it is to create a questionnaire that is both reliable and valid, and also emphasizing the need for professional expertise in all such research. Indeed, it is common for persons not knowledgeable about the sophisticated techniques employed in reputable social surveys (such as the Gallup Poll, for example) to be shocked to hear that not only has an entire book been written about this deceptively simple subject, but that hondreds of books have; and that many social scientists have devoted their lives to studying the very issues that you apparently would have us ignore. (If you are seriously interested in these issues, several faculty members teach courses that deal in some detail with such social science research, and I'm sure that any one of us would welcome you into our class.)

Your editorial asked if, in my opinion, the student evaluations used at other colleges were necessarily invalid. I can only answer that I simply don't know without having seen a competent analysis of their data, tests for various contaminating factors, measures of association, levels of confidence, etc. — if indeed they exist. On this very subject, your editorial asserted that after meeting with me on December seventh, the earlier student committee on evaluations "decided to scrap (their) evaluation as an invalid instrument." That is not true. They decided not to conduct their evaluation at that time because, among other reasons, *they did not know* if their questionnaire was either reliable or valid. Given the seriousness of evaluations (to both student and faculty), I believe their decision was an eminently wise one.

Will this new joint student-faculty evaluation committee now create the perfect instrument? I am not sure. It certainly will (a) take longer to accomplish; (b) be more complex; (c) entail considerably more sacrificed time, energy and resources by both faculty and student committee members; and, (d) continue to be a thankless job.

On the other hand, the instrument we shall create (or adapt) will (a) be a better one than the one proposed in December; (b) have roughly identifiable levels of reliability and validity; (c) carry with it statistically documented assertions regarding its specific strengths and weaknesses; (d) have a higher level of credibility (and thus support) among both students and faculty; and (e) get done.

Your editorial also asked if I considered myself to be working in a professional capacity when I worked on a similar committee at the University of Connecticut. While I question your motivation in asking, I will nevertheless answer it. Certainly.

Finally, I would like to explain precisely why I was so surprised

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with your editorial. As indicated, I was not surprised with your very common questions regarding the complexity of survey research. I was surprised, however, with the terribly hostile tone of the editorial. Since we have never met, your rage confused me, and in a personal way disturbed me. I realize that, in order to be considered "chic" in certain circles, student editorials are expected to be critical (if not downright cynical), but surely — in today's problem-filled world — you could find more timely targets for your rage. If there must be a vent for anger, then direct it toward the real enemies of humankind — the unending wars, the racial prejudices, the violence, the starvation, the corruption, the oppression — etc. — etc. — etc.

Vincent Bolduc
Assistant Prof of Sociology

London
Feb. 10, 1975

The Michaelman
St. Michael's College
Dear Students:

Left and Right are two sides of the same coin. The coin is counterfeit, The coin is Leadership. All Leadership is counterfeit.

Empty benches, empty halls. Hordes of organizers-in-waiting: no volunteers to be organized.

When leaders have no one left to lead, what will they do?

Sidney Simon
16 Ospringe Road
London NW5

I am responding to a recent column by Gus (Kevin?) Dalton in the February 14th issue of *The* Michaelman.

I would like to know what prompts Mr. Dalton to make his tacky evaluations of Terry Green and Bill Russell. Also, what is so "obnoxious" about the UVM hockey fans. If this is your idea of good journalism, regardless if the column is intended to express an opinion, I suggest you take it somewhere else!

Mr. Dalton. How many UVM basketball games have you seen this year? Probably only two at the most (against SMC). If you base your evaluation of Terry Green on that basis, then you fail to qualify as an analyst of his ability. I have seen a great deal of basketball games at UVM and Green has been a key factor in the improvement of their program. If he does "fool around", as you put it, do you actually think he would be on the team? So don't only look at the side you want, just because SMC fans tend to provoke Green at times.

Mr. Dalton. Do you know the real reason Bill Russell refused induction into the Basketball Hall of Fame? It's not because he thinks of himself as a God, but because he doesn't believe in lots of award fanfare and glory for individuals who excel in sports. This is why he was such a great player. He just wanted to play the game he loved the best he knew how. He does not expect to be placed on a plateau. Sure, he may be different, but it would be nice if more athletes had his attitude.

Mr. Dalton. I could care less whether or not you are glad that Harvard beat UVM in hockey. Furthermore, what gives you the authority to label UVM hockey fans as "obnoxious." They're just hockey crazy. It's a natural reaction for fans to go crazy when they watch a winning team play. Would you call the MSC fans "obnoxious" if they went bizarre after their team won a big game? Again, it's a natural reaction. Don't criticize other fans just because they are reacting properly to a winning team.

Therefore, Mr. Dalton! If you want to continue to make accusations as you did in your last column, either make sure you have the accurate facts to back up your opinions or change your closing paragraph from "Parting Shots" to "Parting Cheap Shots!"

Sincerely,
Eugene Frenette

Dear Miss Sullivan;

A most esthetic thought appeared in a recent editorial of the **Michaelman**. It read: "To be unaware is to be helpless." I tend to agree with this thought, and was left with the impression that you did as well. You then go on to state that the students must become aware of what's happening and why it's happening. Again an excellent and important point well taken.

The impact of this thought is certainly mind-boggling when it remained idle in practice concerning your recent editorial of the Ad-Hoc Faculty Evaluation Committee. Simply a contradiction does exist. The lack of continuity of your original thought of the previous editorial and lack of practical application is most evident in this recent article. May I suggest you read the front page of the **Michaelman**, Feb. 14th, 1975. If questions still arise feel free to attend the upcoming meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee.

—An evaluation which is fair to everyone is certainly difficult to create without proper communication between the students and faculty. In regards to the evaluation created by the students of UMass & UVM; our proposed evaluation for first semester would have been considered "less" valid in a sense, due to this lack of communication. As it exists now, the statement of purpose has been typed and mimeographed. Simply a statement of aims and purposes then did exist after two meetings. On what basis of knowledge then did you presuppose in stating that the outlook is not good that an evaluation would not come about in the remaining 12 weeks of school?

Certainly your supposition in looking at the committee as being a subtle bureaucratic measure in deterring student efforts is totally false. On the contrary, an effective joint effort of students and faculty which make up this committee will, by next Tuesday, have selected and proposed an instrument to be used for pre-testing. Not bad for a road block, I'd say. . .

In closing; I suggest you become aware as to actually what is happening within the committee. For somewhere I once read; to be unaware is to be helpless . . . how true!

Sincerely,
Paul Stetson
Co-Chairperson
Ad-Hoc Student-Faculty
Evaluation Committee

Chairman, Student
Educational Policy
Committee

Employment Situation Termed "Terrible"

Being particularly interested in the outlook for the summer, and after hearing so much in the various media in the negative towards the poor state of the economy and the high unemployment rate, I wanted to know just where I stood in the part-time job market. Mr. Larson was honest with me, for which I give him much credit, however prospects are not good. As Mr. Larson put it, "The part-time picture for students this summer is going to be bleak."

We talked generally about the present employment situation (I'm basically an optimist), which was termed "terrible." The biggest reason for this is that industry today is in a state of cutback, which means (1) no new jobs are being created, and (2) when someone dies, retires or leaves, he is not being replaced. The hiring that is being done is becoming much more selective. The competition for any one job is getting tougher.

One possible solution to this dilemma is learning the right way of going after a job. Mr. Larson plans a series of three seminars for this express purpose in March. He also is more than willing to talk some evening in the dorm or to any special groups. They need only to ask.

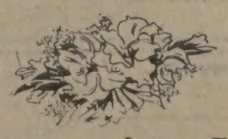
The Placement Office is to function for all students, not just a select few. As Mr. Larson said, "The student has priority in this office; so if you've any questions at all, stop by the office in Founders and ask them. You're bound to come out on top, even if it's in just getting the chance to meet some really nice people."

Now is the time for all good Michaelpeople to start thinking about their summer jobs. After all, we do want to come back to Miketown next fall, and let's face it, we're all going to have some bills to pay. My inate desire for a job, in what looks like a tight market at present, as well as a boost from my editor, is what sent this writer over to talk to Donald Larson in the Placement Office.

Rumor had it that there were some job openings in the area that Placement didn't have on file. Apparently, Larson had heard the same rumor, had tried to follow it up, and was unable to discern any truth to the matter. Letting that particular rumor go where all rumors go, I sat down and had a very pleasant chat with Mr. Larson concerning the current job market.

Editor's Note: On February 17 **The Michaelman** *requested a copy of the Aims and Purposes. We were told that there were specific additions and deletions which had yet to be made on the finished product. Thus, after the committee's third meeting on Feb. 17th, a finished product had yet to be produced.*

—SES



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Ed Starrs' Column

NEWS IN BRIEF

In today's issue, **The Michaelman** interviewed Mr. Markey with the intent of discovering why the portable tennis court was in such bad condition. The seams of the court have split in places. Mr. Markey asserts that the splits have occurred because the court is rolled up too frequently.

The Michaelman interviewed tennis players who use the court regularly. They concurred on one point in particular. The court is *made* so that it can be rolled up or laid down frequently. The reason that the court is splitting (after only one year of use) is because it is being improperly handled and improperly stored. Often the rolled court can also be seen propped up against the wall of the gym vulnerable to abuse.

Hopefully, before the court completely deteriorates, the problem will be fixed.

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THE MICHAELMAN has been inundated with complaints about the treacherous condition of the Dorm back exit stairs. Several residents of Joyce Hall specifically stated that, with the metal steps and handrail being covered with ice, no one could use the exit without slipping and falling.

Obviously, a safety hazard exists. THE MICHAELMAN wants to see these stairs receive the salt treatment as do other more commonly-used exits.

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At the February 18th meeting of the Social Committee $3,500.00 were allotted to the Parents' Weekend Festivities. $150.00 was denied to the Film Series Committee. The rationale behind this move is imperceptible. The $150.00 could have brought several good films on campus throughout the semester. The student community wants more activities on campus. To date "The Film Series Committee" has sponsored **two** films on campus in the last six months.

If the Social Committee problem was of a pecuniary nature, the budget for Parents' Weekend should have been cut by $150.00 to $3,535.00. The students would then have been able to see a few more excellent movies at a price they can afford — 25¢.

Veterans' Representative Appointed to St. Michael's

The Veterans Administration, in a new program, is putting representatives on college and university campuses throughout the country.

The "Vet Rep" assigned to St. Mikes is Russ Kell, and he will have office hours at 104 Alliot Hall the fourth Wednesday of every month from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. He has come to St. Mike's to discuss not only V.A. education benefits with students but to counsel on any benefit administered by the V.A. such as compensation for service-connected disabilities, medical care for veterans, home loan guarantees, dependents' education and vocational rehabilitation.

It is believed by the V.A. that this new program will expedite the payment of its educational assistance benefit to the approximately 500 recipients in the Burlington area by locating and resolving problems before they become major. It is also an attempt by the Administration to make younger veterans more aware of the many benefits offered.

You need not have an appointment to visit with the Vet Rep here at St. Mike's.

Student Rights Are Revealed

Question: Can students be suspended for a charge as vague as "misconduct"?

Answer: On October 19, 1967, Paul Soglin, a student, was suspended from the University of Wisconsin for alleged "misconduct." Soglin, who is now the mayor of Madison, Wisconsin, and other students, were members of Students for a Democratic Society and were protesting the existence of recruiters from the Dow Chemical Corporation on the university campus. The day following the protest several students, including Soglin, were advised by the Dean of Student Affairs that they had been suspended from the school.

In the ensuing trial, a United States Court of Appeals ruled that the disciplinary actions taken against the students were unconstitutional. The Court ruled that the university could not suspend students because of "misconduct" unless they could connect the "misconduct" with a specific rule violation. The broad and vague application of the term "misconduct" was found by the Court to be inconsistent with the guarantees of the First and Fourteenth Amendments.

Question: What are the limits to freedom of speech in schools?

Answer: There have been numerous rulings on cases involving freedom of speech — none of which have been very conclusive.

A case from the University of Missouri involved a student's right to distribute literature on the school campus. The publication in question included a cartoon showing the Statue of Liberty being raped by a gang of policemen. The Supreme Court ruled that the student could not be expelled for her distribution of the publication and that the publication was neither obscene nor in any other way legally restrictable.

Concerning another media a Court of Appeals ruled in favor of a school's censorship of a film. The film of a nude woman (Yoko Ono) with a fly crawling over her body was kept from being shown at Western Kentucky University because school officials felt that the film could not be considered to be a part of the students' educational experience at the school.

Address all questions and comments to: **Rights:** — Charles Morgan, P.O. Box 93201, Atlanta, Ga. 30318.

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The OBSERVER

by NAV

Friday, Feb. 21:

UVM SA Film Series presents "The Day of the Jackal." 101 Votey, 7:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. $1.00.

The Lane Series presents "An Evening With W.C. Fields." Marsh Life Sciences. 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. $1.00.

Folk Dancing at UVM's Southwick Ballroom. 8:00 p.m. All are welcome to this weekly event.

Saturday, Feb. 22:

The Church Street Center sponsors a one-day workshop dealing with "Value Clarification and Life Planning." 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Call 656-4221 for further details.

UVM SA film Series presents Katherine Hepburn in "Adam's Rib." 101 Votey. FREE.

AT LAST — The Intimate P.D.Q. Bach. "A program of music, words and slides guaranteed to tell you more about P.D.Q. Bach than you care to know." Hear "Toot Suite" (for calliope four hands), "Erotica variations" (for banned instruments and piano), and the recently discovered opera, "Hansel & Gretel and Ted & Alice." Memorial Auditorium, 8:00 p.m. Tickets, $6, $5, $3. Lane Office, tel. 656-3418.

Sunday, Feb. 23:

Country-Folk Singers Jim Ringes and Mary McCaslin from California will perform in an evening of acoustic music at another Simpson Hall Coffee House, UVM. Admission — 75¢.

UVM SA Concert Series presents the Marshall Tucker Band and Bonnie Bramlett (formerly of Delaney and Bonnie). Tickets are $5.50; $4.50 with a UVM ID. Available at the UVM Bookstore and Bailey's. The concert will start at 9:00 p.m. at Patrick gym.

Monday, Feb. 24:

The Military Studies Dept. lecture series of UVM entitled "Issues '75", presents Brigadier General Mildred C. Bailey, Director of the Women's Army Corps, who will speak on "Women in the Army, the Equal Professional." B-106 Cook Bldg. 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

The UVM SA Film Series presents "Playtime," a French classic. 101 Votey. FREE.

Thursday, Feb. 27:

The Lane Series presents "Virgil Fox — with revelation lights". Memorial auditorium. 8:00 p.m. Tickets $6, $5,$3 — Tel. 656-3418.

The UVM SA Film Series presents "Singing in the Rain" (1952), Gene Kelly — a classic of MGM musicals. 101 Votey, 7:30 p.m. FREE.

African Dance offered each Thursday from 7:30-8:30 through May 1. Southwick, UVM. $2 per class.

Friday, Feb. 28:

Open Auditions for UVM's Production of "The Real Inspector Hound" begin today at the Royall Tyler Theater. 3:15-5:30. Scripts are available at the theater.

UVM SA Film Series presents "Frankenstein" (1931), Boris Karloff — 71 minutes, and "The Wolfman" (1941), Claude Rains and Bela Lugosi - 75 minutes. Votey 101. 7:30 and 10:00 p.m. $1.00.

The Lane Series presents W.C. Fields in "My Little Chickadee." Marsh Life Sciences. 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. $1.00.

Observer Notes:

The Ellington Band, led by Mercer Ellington, son of the late Duke Ellington, will be making its second Lane appearance on March 8. If you are even thinking of going to this evening of "dance or listen," buy your tickets **now.** All tickets are $4 and may be reserved by calling the Lane Series Office at 656-3418.

An exhibit of small sculptures will be displayed *through Feb. 27* at the Southern Vermont Art Center Winter Gallery, Seminary Avenue, Manchester, Vermont. Monday through Friday, 10-4. Saturday, 12-4.

The Vermont Historical Society of Montpelier has a historical museum and library which is open all year. Exhibits and audio-visual presentations, 8:00 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. weekdays.

Oils, watercolors, acrylics and mixed media by John Cox, Don Allan Bishop and John Mateus will be exhibited *through Feb. 28* at the Moscow Gallery, Moscow Road, Stowe. Open daily 12-6 p.m., closed Tues., Wed.

At the Fleming Museum *through Feb. 28* "American Art Since 1945" is on view in the Main Gallery. Also, "Recent Gifts to the Museum" can be seen in the Front Gallery. In the Lounge Gallery "Art of the Northwest Coast" is exhibited. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Saturdays and most holidays.

LENNY

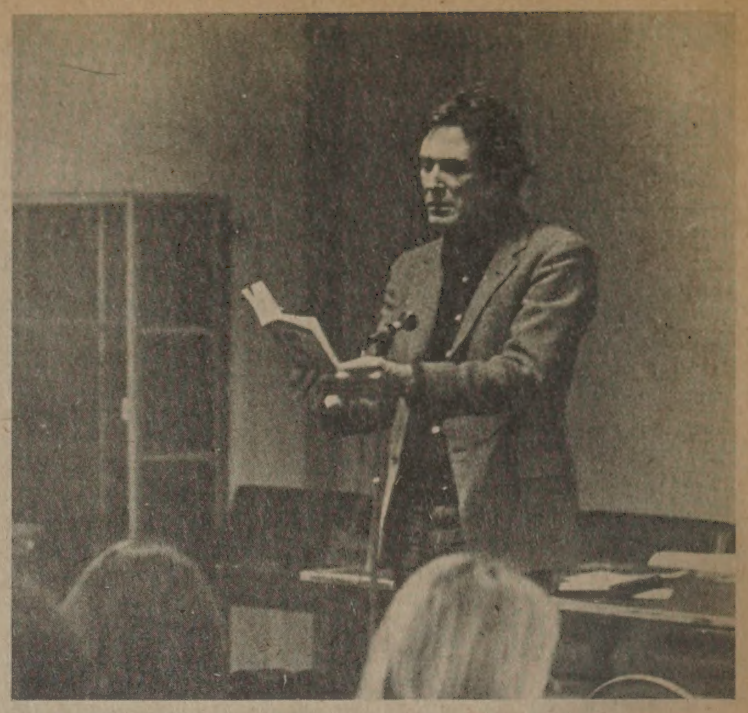
by Linda L. Solimini

One of the most publicized trials of the early sixties was that of Lenny Bruce, the comedian arrested for using obscene language during his night club performances. The movie, "Lenny", is the actual story of his life as a comedian.

Dustin Hoffmann portrays Lenny with tremendous vigor and strength. This role is a complete opposite from the one that Hoffmann played in "The Graduate". Instead of the shy, conservative, rich young college graduate, Hoffmann plays a quick-witted, fiery-headed, outspoken young man. Hoffman's smooth style works nicely with Lenny's off-color jokes.

The plot is simple: Lenny starts out as a "straight" comedian and realizes that by using obscenities he can captivate his audience. He marries a stripper and everything seems to be peaches and cream for a while. Lenny and his wife then take a turn for the worse after they begin the use of hard drugs. He gets arrested for obscene language and it's all downhill from this point on.

I've heard a great deal of praise for "Lenny", but I don't think it's worth the price. Hoffmann's acting is good, so if you're a Hoffmann fan, you're in for some fine acting. There is little to say about the rest. I'd prefer a movie in color anyway, but I suppose the black and white has some significance to the plot.



Mark Strand reading in Alliot — Photo by Bob Foucher

Mark Strand, Poet, Appeared Wednesday

by R. Kipp Miller

The audience was small but their show of applause for the reading by American poet Mark Strand was enthusiastic and prolonged. Strand, the resident poet and a professor of English at Brandeis, read a selection of his poetry to an audience of about seventy people Wednesday night, February 12, 1975, in Alliot Hall Lounge.

The reading was made possible by the Saint Michael's Poetry Series, which is now in its fifth year of existence. Strand is a well-known young American poet who has had four volumes of his poetry published since 196-4.

Much of Mark Strand's poetry can be termed as sober and depressing in its subject matter and he conveys these feelings convincingly and sometimes brutally with his forceful diction and style. Often accused of being wholly mournful in his subject matter, Strand provided some exquisite humor by reading some of his thoughts upon awakening which were published in his "Sargentsville Notebook". Strand's poetry is excellent and well worth hearing and he has a good speaking voice.

The reading attracted poetry enthusiasts from many Vermont colleges and communities. In the past five years the Saint Michael's Poetry Series has presented about fifteen poets, the most recent before Mark Strand being Galway Kinnell. The most renowned poet brought to Saint Michael's thus far was Stanley Kunitz in 1973.

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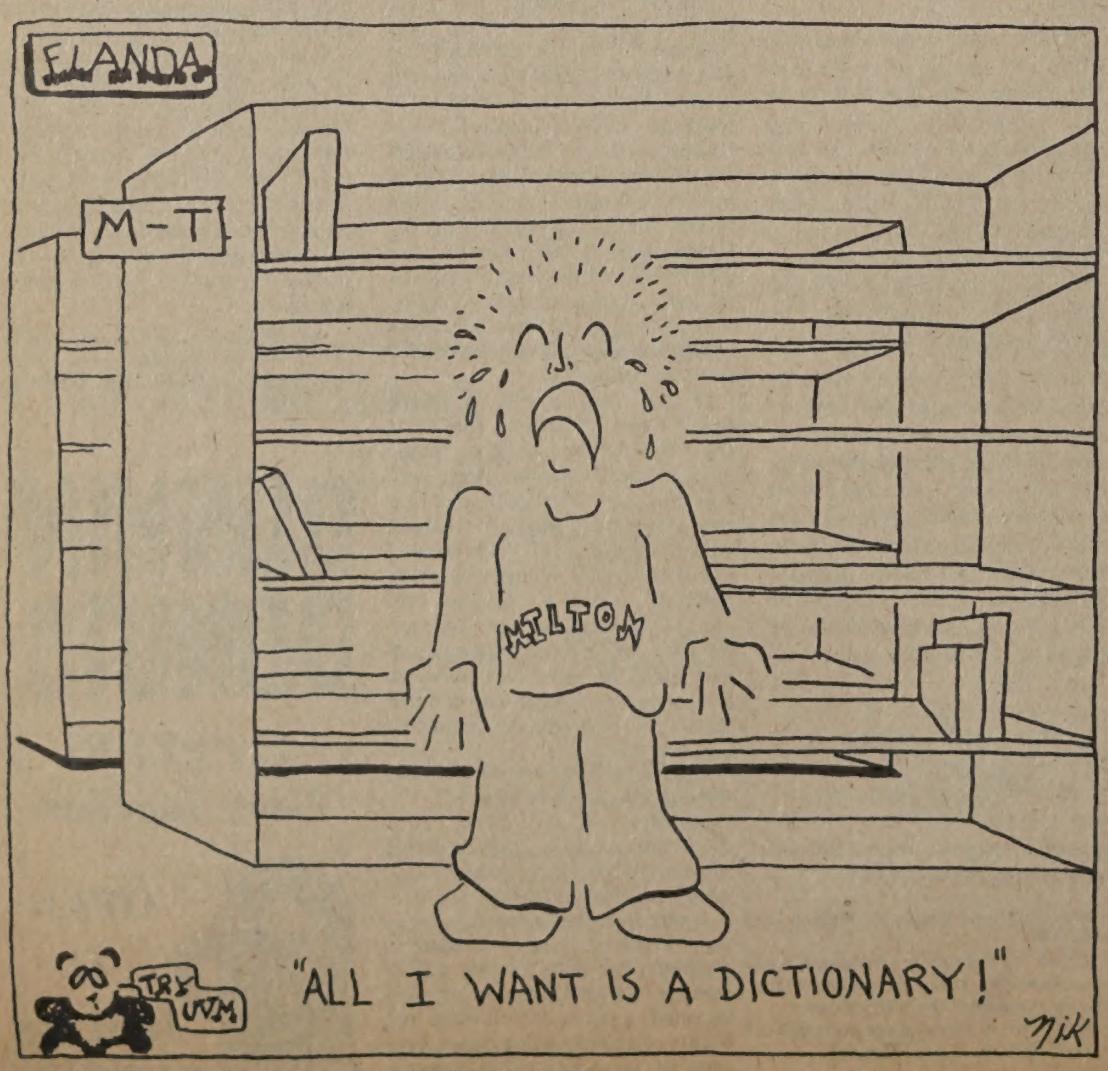

Record Review

Elton John—"Empty Sky"

by Matt Whyte

What can you say about a brand new record that is six years old? This is a problem I face in reviewing the latest album by Elton John. "Empty Sky" was released in England in 1969 but its release was delayed in America. As Elton began cranking out the hits (9 albums in five years) "Empty Sky" ended up on the shelf. The question is, "Why bother to release it now, or at all, for that matter?" Certainly not for the money. This is nickles and dimes for someone who spends $5,000 on a pair of sunglasses.

Eric Van Lustbader, author of the liner notes, points to the historical value of the album. He remembers hearing the album back in '69 and feeling that Elton John was going to be a big star. Elton John and his rise signified new directions in rock music. This is true but it's easy to make statements such as this in hindsight. Lustbader goes so far as to compare this album to the early Beatles songs. The "greatness" of the odd Beatles songs had a lot to do with the way they were received, an important factor non-existent in this case.

I think that for Elton John and lyricist Bernie Taupin, it's a "look how far we've come" album. There is nothing on this album that measures up to anything the team has done since. You can hear John polishing his vocal style (he sounds a lot like Mick Jagger on a few cuts) and Taupin has proved himself a much better poet on later albums. It is not the quality of music I would expect to stand out in 1975, especially in view of the huge amount of material released today.

If you are an Elton John fan, you're likely to be disappointed; if not, you'll probably dislike it all the more. Perhaps "Empty Sky" is best chalked up to experience.

The Hackers

From left: Bob Foster jacks over those tips. Collene Doyle stretches for the finish. Jeff Lynner kicks home.
Photo by Coach Bob Hodson

THE CIRCUS

by Steve McLaughlin

Due to some last-minute work by Mother Nature and Dean Sutton, St. Michael's ski slope was opened last weekend for the first time in over a year. The snow which continually fell all of last week (and seems to be melting all of this week) provided an excellent base for the slope behind Fanny Allen Hospital. Mr. Sutton spent much of Saturday morning packing the snow with his snowmobile. At one point it didn't seem as if the "Mighty Mite" tow would work, but by the scheduled opening of 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, all systems were go.

Saturday afternoon the slope was operating at full capacity. Many of the campus residents took advantage of the opportunity to ski for free.

If that big snow-making machine continues to operate, people can look forward to getting in a few quick runs just across the street.

The easiest directions for getting there are to proceed to the far left-hand corner of Fanny Allen's parking lot. Follow the foot trail just in front of you, down the hill and a little to the left. Hopefully you are now at the base of the slope.

A lot of students are taking advantage of St. Michael's vast acreage to get in some cross-country skiing. If the snow conditions continue as it did last weekend, for the rest of the season, enrollment at St. Michael's should increase for the coming year.

Dinner for Two Highlighted Button Contest

On Wednesday, February 5th, the OVP Button-Spotting Contest began. Buttons were handed out to all OVP volunteers, and also to any student who visited the OVP office.

On Tuesday, February 11, Steven Houle was "spotted" and became the first winner, receiving a $10 gift certificate to Gaynes Department Store. On Wednesday, Kathy Kolinger was "spotted" and won a $10 gift certificate to Bailey's Music Store. The next day, Nancy Fink won a dinner for two at the Lincoln Inn. Finally, on Valentine's Day, Betsey Wellstood won a $10 gift certificate to Sharon's Flowers.

The purpose of the OVP Button-Spotting Contest was to advertise the presence of OVP on campus. It's hard to believe that some students remain unaware of the services of this office. Involvement in OVP provides a source of personal growth and fulfillment that is unmatched by other campus organizations in that it reaches outward to other people instead of inward to yourself.

Students who would like to participate in any aspects of the Volunteer Services available in OVP should visit the office in Alliot Hall and find the program suited to their interest. Nothing could be more worth the effort.

DAP Changes Drastically

"A sort of umbrella service of the college for what is not undergraduate" is how Fr. Coombs, head of the Extension Services, described his department. Fr. Coombs, an Edmundite and Education Department professor, took over the Extension Services position last August 14. His office is located in Jemery, on the 2nd floor, next to the Registrar.

In a **Michaelman** interview, Father described the primary function of his office as "the support of the graduate program." The main graduate studies include a Masters of Education Degree (M.Ed.), a Masters of Science and Counseling Services Degree, and a M.A. Degree in Theology and Religion.

The Delayed Admissions Program, another responsibility of the Extension Services, has been renamed the Summer Enrichment and Evaluation Program. Father noted that there were weaknesses in the present agendum. He followed by saying, "I'm attempting to change the whole program." Father Coombs saw his new idea for the SEEP as "a remediation program." SEEP will offer a 3-credit college writing course and possibly a course in reading-study labs.

Questions then turned to the graduate program. Father said that the degree offered in Counseling Services is the most popular, with about 15-20 full-time students. The M.Ed. group has approximately 10 part-time students.

The Extension Services, in an effort to find out if students were interested in an accelerated system of education, sent out 300 questionnaires last fall. 101 of the 300 forms, distributed to a random group of students, were returned. 88% of the returned questionnaires presented favorable reaction to an accelerated education program. 45% said they would make use of such an opportunity. The questionnaire sheet contained a question on why students would not be interested to come to school in the summer months. 71% said they relied on summer employment; 66% checked that the cost was prohibitive; while 53% said they needed a vacation.

Bob Nolan

The Veterans' Representative

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DEAN SUTTON

(Continued from p. 1)

Many states during the past five years have altered the state regulation to permit alcoholic beverages on college campuses. Within the next two weeks, Vermont will have the opportunity to do the same.

Dean Sutton and the administration of St. Michael's are hopeful that Vermont will pass the H-132 bill. "I would say at this point, that we are at a 50/50 position, but I feel very strongly and I will continue to discuss this so that the legislature will pass it."

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Unconditional Release

by Kevin A. Dalton

Last Monday I walked into Coach Baumann's office with a list of unanswered questions. After about an hour or so, I left Baumann's office with many answers and the satisfaction of being leveled with. Everything I asked was answered honestly and without hesitation. The first thing I wanted was an evaluation of the team and the season. Baumann stated, "When we left Syracuse after the tournament I felt that we were all set. The nucleus of Hall, Gregory, Mike, Gene and Joe was really more than I could ask for; I thought we were set for the season and for a few years to come."

But as you know, Hall got hurt, Gregory hung up the sneakers and Kutny headed back to the city. "Losing two starters hurt our depth and things that we planned to do didn't work out. We lost out in many ways, all our preparation was somewhat wasted and we had to change our style of play." This I found very interesting because I was wondering why we had stopped our reknown game of running. But as he stated we lost players and we just couldn't handle that style. "The running game was just causing too many turnovers and because of circumstances I was forced to change the style."

In my four years here I have often second-guessed some of the coaches' moves, as I'm sure you have. And finally, I found myself compelled to ask Baumann a few questions about his own style. For those of you who weren't here, Walt was sort of a wild man in his first two years here. In his freshman year he would draw technicals at key times and psych his team up, which would usually result in a reversal of the game in our favor. I asked him why he had calmed down so much and stopped using these methods to get the ball rolling. He stated, "I had to sit myself down and do some self-evaluation. It got to be that we were a crisis-oriented team, everything happened only when a crisis was at hand. Then I started noticing that the kids were acting like myself, I was coming down to their level. I had to disorientate myself from the team and find a level of coaching that was going to satisfy all and produce a winner." This definitely seemed like a truthful answer and he was quick to add that he hadn't found that level and someday may have to go back to his old ways.

Attitudes, inexperience and lack of depth have all added up to a .500 team. "It has been a disappointing season, we should be better and have a better record. But things that we planned didn't work out and I was forced to make changes." He cited youth was in his favor and improvement was necessary. From listening to Walter I believe he plans to do a little house cleaning next year. He wants to have the best practice team around and a team that comes to play all the time.

My faith has been strengthened in Walter Baumann and the basketball program. He told me that he takes full blame for the poor season. Remember, in three years of coaching he has brought SMC to the NCAA's twice. He is a young man and admits he has a lot to learn. He accepts criticism just as gracefully as he accepts praise. Coaching is his bread and butter, but I believe he feels that there is more in a person than just his ability to put the ball in the hole. Go talk to this man, he told me he is willing to sit down and talk to anybody about anything. He has only one fault, and that is that he fails to see the greatness of our American Pastime, baseball. We're not all perfect. Adios.

Parting Shots: Without a doubt auto racing is the dullest sport in the world, if you can call it a sport . . . the all cry-baby team in intramural b-ball is as follows: George Raffile, Warren Blunt, Vin McMahon, Paul Jazinski and Ollie Spellman. It seems the best teams have the best sobbers!!!! Charlie O says Sal Bando is the worst fielding third baseman around. I'm sure my Red Sox would gladly take Sal and forget about his fielding . . . Could XI be the Celtics of SMC, and Gamma the Buffalo of SMC, while poor Epsilon could be the Knicks . . . the all-psycho team is as follows: baseball; Pete Rose, Pedro Bourbon; basketball, Norm Van Lier, Phil Jackson; football, Dick Butkus, L.C. Greenwood; hockey, Dave Schultz, Keith Magnuson . . . spring training opens soon and you N.Y. fans better watch out for sore arms and a sour Bobby Bonds . . . Will the Knicks make the playoffs? Only Cunningham and Collins really know . . . Please with this ABA, do they know what defense is??? I honestly hope that the Bruins fall flat on their face; Guy, Ken, and the rest of the Canadiens will once again have the cup to themselves . . . may God grant the Knicks a long and quiet fall into the cellar of the NBA . . . I'll catch you all in the rebound . . .

Alumni Basketball Game Slated for Sat.

On February 22, prior to the Varsity basketball game against Central Connecticut, a special event will take place in the Ross Sports Center. Several area alumni have agreed to go to battle against the J.V. team on their homecourt. Among the former ball players who will represent the alumni are Jim Browne, Bernie Couture, Pete Cragan, Gary Fagan, Jim Fitzgerald, Hank Gretowski, Bob Hoehl, Bob Kryger, Frank McCaffrey, Dick Navin, Jack Russell, Dick Tarrant and Ed Markey.

It is hoped that this will become an annual event. In subsequent years invitations would be extended to all former players to participate in alumni games against UVM alumni or our varsity.

So don't forget to be at the Ross Center at 6:00 p.m. Feb. 22 to watch the stars of yesterday and those of tomorrow shoot the hoops.

Girls' Varsity Beats Out St. Joe's

Photo by Peter Palermo

Intramural News

NU House Wins After 3 Overtime Periods

by Skip Goetz

The full schedule of both "A" and "B", as well as Girls' Intramural Basketball, is underway.

A League: As the weeks go by the league continues to remain fairly tight. Epsilon lost two extremely close ones by a total of 10 points. In the game last Thursday, Epsilon and Gamma staged one of the best games seen all year. Gamma House came back in the second half after being down throughout most of the first half to win a close one, 59-56. Then on Sunday, it was Epsilon's turn to stage their comeback. Down to Xi by as many as 10 points at the half, Epsilon came back to tie the game with only a few minutes to go. But a balanced XI offense held on to win 62-55. This sets up the Feb. 23 rematch between XI and Gamma. At stake in this game is first place in the A League.

In another game, Nu House and Daily Express staged a marathon three-overtime bout before Nu House came out on top.

At the beginning of the year, the concensus was that the "BIG 3", Gamma, XI, and Epsilon, would dominate the league competition. Though all of these teams have proven to be extremely good, three others, Nu. Psi, and Daily Express, have surprised a lot of people by providing stiff competition. At present all three are strong contenders for the playoffs. It's good to have a league where there are no runaways. There is a balance, and an abundance of good talent. Who says it's all just for fun?

B League: Last week the B League started and already it looks as though it will be a close and balanced league. Reason, the scores were, for the most part, close. The first week was highlighted by the Psi-Delta game. Another overtime game, it could have gone for two OVT's except for a 30-footer at the buzzer. Gamma, Epsilon, Zeta, and Off-Campus look as though they will be tough. However, Psi, Rho, Delta and XI could surprise a lot of people. Nu and Omega are the dark horse teams this time, and will probably surprise a lot of people.

As of Feb. 17, here are the league standings:

"A" League

Team	W	L	GB
XI	10	0	—
Gamma	8	1	1½
NU	*5*	*4*	*4½*
Psi	*4*	*4*	*5*
Epsilon	*4*	*4*	*5*
Daily Express	*3*	*5*	*6*
Delta	*1*	*6*	*7½*
Omega	2	7	7½
Theta	1	7	8

"B" League

Off-Campus	2	0	—
Psi	2	0	—
Gamma	1	0	½
XI	1	0	½
Zeta	1	0	½
Epsilon	1	1	1
NU	0	1	1½
Rho	0	2	2
Omega	0	2	2
Delta	0	2	2

Delta and Psi Lead Poly Hockey

With the start of the poly hockey season, there arises one problem; that is the refereeing, or lack of refs. At present there are only 7 guys who have signed up. There is a need for 3 to 5 more. If interested, please sign up in the intramural office over in the gym.

After the first two weeks of competition it appears that once again Delta and Psi Houses will be the powerhouses. Both Houses are undefeated, and tied for first place. Zeta House is also tough, and must rate as the surprise team so far. Other Houses that should fare well are Epsilon and Omega. While Nu, Gamma, Xi, and Off Campus are not to be counted out.

The top four teams will be eligible for the playoffs on April 7 and 8.

Poly Hockey Standings as of Feb. 17

Team	W	L	GB
Delta	3	0	—
Psi	3	0	—
Zeta	2	1	1
Omega	1	1	1½
Epsilon	1	1	1½
Nu	1	1	1½
Gamma	0	2	2½
Off-Campus	0	2	2½
Xi	0	3	3

Bowling starts this week. Matches will be held at the Essex Lanes (across the street from McDonald's in Essex Jct.) The matches will start at 3:30 on Monday through Thursday. There will be three bowlers to a team per game.

The second intramural swim meet is scheduled to take place on March 3 at 7:00 p.m. The meet will be for men and women, and there will also be diving competition.

As far as the girls' intramurals are concerned, the results and standings of the girls basketball schedule are unavailable at this time, due to the fact that the scores of the games are not being turned in to the intramural office.

Seams Split on Court

Several students have requested that The Michaelman investigate the problem of the Indoor Tennis Court. Students have complained that the seam in the court has hampered their game.

Mr. Markey stated that the problem is due to rolling the court too much. Every time the court is rolled up the tape which holds the seams together splits.

Girls' Varsity has Uphill Struggle

The girls' basketball team brought their season record to 2 & 7 on February 13th when they dropped a 61-48 decision to Vermont College at the Ross Sports Center.

The SMC squad was leading 29-23 going into the second half, but Vermont College came back, scoring 38 points to take the lead and the game. Especially effective in the comeback for VC were high scorers Jan Parisella with 23 points and Eileen Monahan with 18 points. Beth Archambault was also in double figures with 13 points.

Lynn Daviau was the high scorer for SMC with 27 points, with teammate Mary Horan second with 10. Both played a good game, as well as center Kathy Nolan and guard Sue Polonica.

It should be noted that St. Michael's guard Kathy Sweeten scored her first two points of the season on a basket in the third quarter. She received a standing ovation from her teammates.

The last time these two teams met, SMC lost 58-32.

The girls' basketball team defeated St. Joseph's, 53-31 at the Ross Sports Center of February 17th. It was the girls' second victory, their first at home. Their other victory was also over St. Joseph's, but at Rutland. Lynn Daviau was the team's high scorer. The girls play their last home game against UVM on Thursday, February 20th at 4 p.m.

Rock Climbing Clinic Sponsored by Outing Club

The St. Michael's College Outing Club is quickly proving to be one of the most active clubs on campus. It gears its activity towards the entire student body and provides extremely imaginative services.

In the spring, there will be a rock-climbing clinic for interested students. The clinic will consist of three (3) weekends of climbing with continuous instruction. There will be one teacher for every three students. Only the finest equipment will be used, and safety will be greatly stressed. The cost for the three (3) weekends of climbing will be $20, which will go towards rope.

Also offered this spring will be a canoeing clinic. This will be an introductory course to instruct all in the basics of canoeing. The many details of paddling will be offered plus a few added features such as whitewater and overnight trips. Again, only the best equipment will be used and safety will be stressed.

In addition to climbing and canoeing, the Outing Club will also be offering overnight bicycling, hiking and backpacking. These trips are limited only by the imaginations of those participating.

To top off an already busy schedule, the O.C. will also be participating in the famed Winooski River Raft Race this spring. For this gala event, many people will be needed. A good showing can be expected in strong, St. Mike's tradition. To add a new incentive for participation this year, the Wide World of Sports will be covering the race.

In another outlook a film series is offered concerning the outdoors. The first showing will be a film from the National Geographic Society concerned with climbing, which will be co-sponsored by Dakin Farms Mountain Shop. The Mountain Shop is also offering a discount on equipment in their new store to Outing Club members. Another Jazz Night may also be coming up soon.

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